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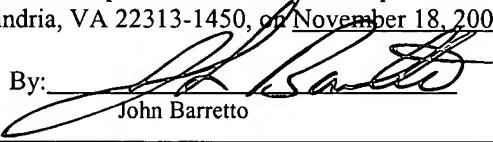
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Madam:

Prior to substantive examination of the above-referenced patent application, please amend the application as indicated herein.

Applicants believe that no fees or extensions of time are required in association with this submission. However, if any additional fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any deficiencies to Deposit Account Number **06-1448**, Reference **HMV-038.04**.